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Burial Systems.

In France, as most people are aware, no one meeting a funeral on the streets omits to raise the hat or cap in token of respect; but in Spain this usage does not exist. When the "Visitation" is carried through the streets, everyone is bareheaded and kneeling, but a few feet passing along the road is seen as a mark of respect in France. Moreover, while in the latter country a deceased person is followed by the cemetery by all his relatives, friends, acquaintances, and even by many who are now acquaintances of his acquaintance; to sit in it is the habit for people to attain from accompanying the coffin to the grave. In the United States, to the better classes, his friends send their carriages to follow, but they themselves never mount at home.

In Italy the custom is unknown. A proce-
dure of the church, it is reported, from France, only
dates from Louis XIV's time; and when it was
first used to bury the dead in the cemetery, the
innovation was loudly condemned by the public.
At Turin the interment of the higher classes
takes place generally at dusk; the lower
classes are buried at night, and may be seen
at the cemetery or in the church where the
diseased, laid in coffins, are exposed for the
service.

At Naples funeral ceremonies are conducted
with certain pomp and grandeur.

The dead man, woman, or child is exhibited, richly
dressed, on the bier; sometimes, indeed, the
body is thus exposed even under the roof
of the church, surrounded with lighted candles
and flowers. When the moment arrives for placing
it on the bier, the duty is discharged by a
priest, whose relatives, as in France, are
engaged to the last minute of the ceremony,
which is, however, nothing but a deathbed.

In the magnificence of the funeral, which
is there, there is no expense spared, nothing
is spared, nothing is omitted, nothing is
neglected.

The object of this suit is to obtain a decree
removing the defendant from the trust estate
under the will of the late William P. Quisenberry,
dec'd., and appointing a new or substituted
trustee, and, thereafter, to compel the said
trustee to account for and turn over to the
trustee to be distributed, say all monies,
stocks, bonds and securities belonging to Wm P.
Quisenberry's estate, which may have passed
into his hands as trustee.

The defendant not having entered his appearance
and given security according to the act of
Assembly, and the rules of this Court and is
appearing by affidavit that he is not a resident
of this State, it is ordered that the said defendant
appear before the court within one month after
due publication of this order, and do what is
necessary to protect his interest in this suit;

and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted
in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published
in the city of Alexandria, once a week for four
successive weeks, and posted at the front door of
the Court House of this city. A copy, test:

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